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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
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**PATENT**  
Attorney Docket No.: 16869P-015200US  
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In re application of:

Manabu Kitamura et al.

Application No.: 09/697,088

Filed: October 25, 2000

For: A COMPUTER SYSTEM AND  
DATA SHARING METHOD BETWEEN  
COMPUTERS

Customer No.: 20350

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 25, 2004 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.